

BI (Official Form 1)(1/08)

United States Bankruptcy Court
Northern District of Illinois

Voluntary Petition

Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): Equipment Acquisition Resources, Inc.	Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (Last, First, Middle):
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):	All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names):
Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN (if more than one, state all) 36-4162071	Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN (if more than one, state all)
Street Address of Debtor (No. and Street, City, and State): 555 South Vermont Street Palatine, IL	Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. and Street, City, and State):
ZIP Code 60067	ZIP Code
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business: Cook	County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business:
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street address):	Mailing Address of Joint Debtor (if different from street address):
ZIP Code	ZIP Code

Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor
(if different from street address above):

Type of Debtor (Form of Organization) (Check one box)	Nature of Business (Check one box)	Chapter of Bankruptcy Code Under Which the Petition is Filed (Check one box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual (includes Joint Debtors) <i>See Exhibit D on page 2 of this form.</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation (includes LLC and LLP) <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other (If debtor is not one of the above entities, check this box and state type of entity below.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Business <input type="checkbox"/> Single Asset Real Estate as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101 (51B) <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad <input type="checkbox"/> Stockbroker <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Clearing Bank <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Main Proceeding <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Nonmain Proceeding
Tax-Exempt Entity (Check box, if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a tax-exempt organization under Title 26 of the United States Code (the Internal Revenue Code).		Nature of Debts (Check one box) <input type="checkbox"/> Debts are primarily consumer debts, defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose." <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debts are primarily business debts.

Filing Fee (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Filing Fee attached <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee to be paid in installments (applicable to individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form 3A. <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee waiver requested (applicable to chapter 7 individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration. See Official Form 3B.	Chapter 11 Debtors Check one box: <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor is not a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). Check if: <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor's aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$2,190,000. Check all applicable boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> A plan is being filed with this petition. <input type="checkbox"/> Acceptances of the plan were solicited prepetition from one or more classes of creditors, in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1126(b).
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Statistical/Administrative Information

☒ Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors.
☐ Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors.

Estimated Number of Creditors

<input type="checkbox"/> 1-49	<input type="checkbox"/> 50-99	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 100-199	<input type="checkbox"/> 200-999	<input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-5,000	<input type="checkbox"/> 5,001-10,000	<input type="checkbox"/> 10,001-25,000	<input type="checkbox"/> 25,001-50,000	<input type="checkbox"/> 50,001-100,000	<input type="checkbox"/> OVER 100,000
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Estimated Assets

<input type="checkbox"/> \$0 to \$50,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 to \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001 to \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001 to \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 to \$10 million	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001 to \$50 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001 to \$100 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000,001 to \$500 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001 to \$1 billion	<input type="checkbox"/> More than \$1 billion
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Estimated Liabilities

<input type="checkbox"/> \$0 to \$50,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 to \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001 to \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001 to \$1 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 to \$10 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001 to \$50 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001 to \$100 million	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$100,000,001 to \$500 million	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001 to \$1 billion	<input type="checkbox"/> More than \$1 billion
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THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY

Voluntary Petition <i>(This page must be completed and filed in every case)</i>		Name of Debtor(s): Equipment Acquisition Resources, Inc.	
All Prior Bankruptcy Cases Filed Within Last 8 Years (If more than two, attach additional sheet)			
Location Where Filed: - None -	Case Number:	Date Filed:	
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Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner, or Affiliate of this Debtor (If more than one, attach additional sheet)			
Name of Debtor: - None -	Case Number:	Date Filed:	
District:	Relationship:	Judge:	
Exhibit A (To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under chapter 11.) <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition.		Exhibit B (To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts.) I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter. I further certify that I delivered to the debtor the notice required by 11 U.S.C. §342(b). X _____ Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) (Date)	
Exhibit C			
Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public health or safety?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No.			
Exhibit D			
(To be completed by every individual debtor. If a joint petition is filed, each spouse must complete and attach a separate Exhibit D.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D completed and signed by the debtor is attached and made a part of this petition.			
If this is a joint petition:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D also completed and signed by the joint debtor is attached and made a part of this petition.			
Information Regarding the Debtor - Venue (Check any applicable box)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other District.			
<input type="checkbox"/> There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership pending in this District.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a debtor in a foreign proceeding and has its principal place of business or principal assets in the United States in this District, or has no principal place of business or assets in the United States but is a defendant in an action or proceeding [in a federal or state court] in this District, or the interests of the parties will be served in regard to the relief sought in this District.			
Certification by a Debtor Who Resides as a Tenant of Residential Property (Check all applicable boxes)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Landlord has a judgment against the debtor for possession of debtor's residence. (If box checked, complete the following.)			
_____ (Name of landlord that obtained judgment)			
_____ (Address of landlord)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor claims that under applicable nonbankruptcy law, there are circumstances under which the debtor would be permitted to cure the entire monetary default that gave rise to the judgment for possession, after the judgment for possession was entered, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor has included in this petition the deposit with the court of any rent that would become due during the 30-day period after the filing of the petition.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor certifies that he/she has served the Landlord with this certification. (11 U.S.C. § 362(l)).			

Voluntary Petition*(This page must be completed and filed in every case)*

Name of Debtor(s):

Equipment Acquisition Resources, Inc.**Signatures****Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct.
[If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.
[If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. §342(b).

I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

X _____
Signature of Debtor

X _____
Signature of Joint Debtor

Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney)

Date

Signature of Attorney*

X /s/ Barry A. Chatz
Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)

Barry A. Chatz 06196639
Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s)

Arnstein & Lehr LLP
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120 South Riverside Plaza
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Address

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(312) 876-7100 Fax: (312) 876-0288

Telephone Number

October 23, 2009
Date

*In a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, this signature also constitutes a certification that the attorney has no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules is incorrect.

Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

X /s/ William A. Brandt, Jr.
Signature of Authorized Individual

William A. Brandt, Jr.
Printed Name of Authorized Individual

Chief Restructuring Officer
Title of Authorized Individual

October 23, 2009
Date

Signature of a Foreign Representative

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, that I am the foreign representative of a debtor in a foreign proceeding, and that I am authorized to file this petition.

(Check only one box.)

☐ I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11, United States Code. Certified copies of the documents required by 11 U.S.C. §1515 are attached.

☐ Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §1511, I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the order granting recognition of the foreign main proceeding is attached.

X _____
Signature of Foreign Representative

Printed Name of Foreign Representative

Date

Signature of Non-Attorney Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

I declare under penalty of perjury that: (1) I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; (2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h), and 342(b); and, (3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section. Official Form 19 is attached.

Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Social-Security number (If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the bankruptcy petition preparer.) (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)

Address

X _____

Date

Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose Social Security number is provided above.

Names and Social-Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual:

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.

A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both 11 U.S.C. §110; 18 U.S.C. §156.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
EQUIPMENT ACQUISITION RESOURCES, INC.**

William A. Brandt, being sole member of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Equipment Acquisition Resources, Inc., an Illinois corporation (the "Company"), in lieu of a meeting of the Board upon other and further notice, the same being hereby waived, hereby approves and adopts following actions by written consent:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that, in the judgment of the Board, it is desirable and in the best interests of the Company, its creditors, stockholders, and other interested parties that a petition be filed by the Company seeking relief under the provisions of Chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code");

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Restructuring Officer, William A. Brandt (the "CRO"), be, and hereby is, authorized and directed on behalf of the Company to execute and verify a petition in the name of the Company under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and to cause the same to be filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois in such form and at such time as the CRO shall determine;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CRO be, and hereby is, authorized to execute and file or cause to be executed and filed (or direct others to do so on behalf of the Company as provided herein) all necessary documents, including, without limitation, all petitions, affidavits, schedules, motions, lists, applications, pleadings and other papers, and in connection therewith to employ and retain all assistance by legal counsel, accountants or other professionals and to take any and all action which they deem necessary and proper in connection with the Chapter 11 case;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the law firm of Arnstein & Lehr LLP, 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 1200, Chicago, Illinois 60606, be, and hereby is, employed and retained as bankruptcy counsel for the Company in the chapter 11 case;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mesirow Fiancial, 350 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60654, be and hereby is, employed and retained as financial advisor to provide forensic accounting services for the Company in the Chapter 11 case;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that Development Specialists, Inc., Three First National Plaza, 70 West Madison Street, Suite 2300, Chicago, Illinois 60602, be and hereby is, employed and retained as financial advisor to provide non-audit related services to the Company in the Chapter 11 case;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that all acts lawfully done or actions lawfully taken by the CRO or any other officers of the Corporation to seek relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code or in connection with the Chapter 11 case, or any matter related thereto, be, and hereby are, adopted, ratified, confirmed and approved in all respects as the acts and deeds of the Company;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in connection with any credit agreements entered into by the Company as debtor and debtor-in-possession under the Bankruptcy Code, the CRO be, and hereby is, authorized to secure any obligation under such credit agreements by granting security interests in and liens upon all or any portion of the Company's assets as may be required;

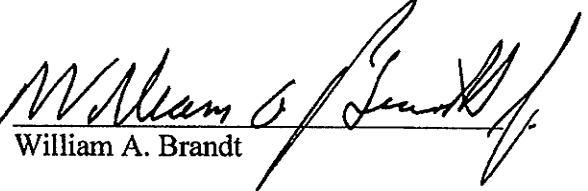
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CRO be, and hereby is, authorized and empowered to execute and deliver for and on behalf of the Company, as a debtor and debtor-in-possession, such agreements, instruments and any and all other documents and amendments necessary or appropriate to facilitate the transactions contemplated by the foregoing resolutions, including without limitation, any credit agreement, guarantee, security instrument and/or pledge agreement, containing such provisions, terms, conditions, covenants, warranties and representations as may be deemed necessary or appropriate by the CRO;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CRO be, and hereby is, authorized, in the name of and on behalf of the Company, to take or cause to be taken any and all such further action and to execute and deliver or cause to be executed or deliver all such further agreements, documents, certificates and undertakings, and to incur all such fees and expenses as in his judgment shall be necessary, appropriate or advisable to effectuate the purpose and intent of any and all of the foregoing resolutions;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that in addition to the specific authorizations heretofore conferred upon the CRO, the CRO be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to take or cause to be taken all such further actions, to execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered all such further certificates, agreements, instruments and documents in the name and on behalf of the Company and to incur all such fees and expenses as in his judgment shall be necessary or advisable in order to carry out fully the intent and purposes of the foregoing resolutions;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any actions taken by the CRO prior to the date set forth below with respect to matters contemplated by the foregoing resolutions are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved in all respects.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed this Resolution as the sole member of the Board of Directors of Equipment Acquisition Resources, Inc. on this the 16th Day of October, 2009.


William A. Brandt

Being the sole member of the Board of Directors of
Equipment Acquisition Resources, Inc.